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Socialists Expelled From Vienna-Other Foreign News.

EGYPT'S DIFFICULTY. CAIRO, Feb. 1 .- Riaz Pasha, formerly minister of the interior, has agreed to co-operate

with Nubar Pasha, president of the council

and minister for foreign affairs, for the settle-ment of the present financial difficulties. LONDON, Feb. 1.—The commander at Takar writes: "It would be impossible for our condition to be worse. The rebels have filled up all the wells outside of the town. The water inside is brackish and bad, and the troops are suffering from diarrhora. There is report four that it will be recovered. is great fear that it will be necessary shortly to surrender. Only ton to twenty rounds of ammunition per man are still left. The firing on the part of the rebels continues day

Right Hon. George J. Gosshen, member of Right Hon. George J. Gosshen, member of parliament for Ripon, formerly special em-bassador to Turkey, delivered a speech at Ripon to-night, in the course of which he said that England cannot and dare not ig-nore the question of the slave trade in the Soudan, and that she must teach Mussulmans that in any condise with. Christian Mus-

that, in any conflict with Christians, Mus-sulmans are certain to be finally defeated. TRINKITAT, Feb. 1.—A spy captured near here says there are 7,000 rebels five miles distant. The spy is a mere boy, who came armed with a spear to avenge the death of his father, who was killed by a shell on Tuesday. The youth fought furiously until he was wounded. Baker Pasha has sent letters promising full pardons to robels who submit to him. The relief of Tokar and Sinkat is dependent upon diplomacy as much as upon arms. An unconfined recent relief. as upon arms. An unconfirmed report states that Sinkat has been relieved by friendly

THE RUMORED DEFEAT DENIED. PARIS, Feb. 1.—Admiral Peyron has published a donial of the assertion made and repeated by La Frence, that Admiral Courbet had been repulsed with considerable losses at Bac-Ninh. Admiral Peyron says that in the last skirmish at Bac-Ninh the French suffered

THE BONAPARTIST CAUSE.

PARIS, Feb. 1.—Prince Jerome Napoleon informed a Bonapartist deputation which waited upon him that the time had waited upon him that the time had arrived to commence a legal, open, and untiring agitation for the promotion of the Bonapartist cause. It has been decided to hold a large meeting on the seventeenth in-

stant for the purpose of discussing the necessity of a revision of the constitution.

Parts, Feb. 1.—The authors of the demonstration at the Orleans railway station when the Comte de Paris departed for Spain have been sentenced by the Seine correctional tribunal to eight days in prison.

SOCIALISTS AND REBELS.

VIENNA, Feb. 1.—Altogether forty social-ists have been expelled and two newspapers have been suppressed and their offices sealed. The increase of crime, especially rob-beries, has almost caused a roign of terror. A scavenger to-day received a cartridge from a stranger, and handed it to polician. The cartridge expedied des-

a cartridge from a stranger, and handed it to a policeman. The cartridge exploded, dan-gerously wounding the policeman, who is now lying in the hospital in a very low condition. BELOGADE, Feb. 1.—The government is selling the property of peasants in the dis-tricts recently in revolt in order to raise money to pay the expenses incurred in sup-pressing the insurrection. Thirteen school touches have been dismissed for reversities. eachers have been dismissed for promoting

ALLEGED DYNAMITERS RELEASED LONDON, Feb. 1. The six men arrested at Tobermory, Scotland, on the c arge of con-spiracy to destroy public buildings with dynamite and to subvert her majesty's gov-ernment, have been discharged, the evidence them being insufficient to justify

He Declines to Auswer. NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- In the examination

of Sheriff Davidson by the committee investigating the New York city government to day Mr. Miller asked the sheriff if he paid any money to any political organization for his nomination. The sheriff declined to answer. The sheriff submitted a state-ment, showing that his not showing that his no for the year 1883 were p ofits for the year 1883 s were 841,000. He had liabilities of over \$1,000,000 in the shape of bonds he took against suits. Mr. Miller asked the sheriff if he had had any understanding with any person or body that he would pay to them any emoluments of the office if elected. The witness declined to answer, and to three questions as to whether he had acreed to pay or had paid any monyes forpolitical purposes he also re-

The Bibby and Connors Wrestling Match. SCHANTON, PA., Feb. 1.-Edwin Bibby and John Connors, of this city, wrestled before persons in the Providence armory to-1,500 persons in the rroyalence armory to night for \$500 a side, best two in three falls, eatth-as-catch-can. The match was very ex-citing, the men being of equal strength and skill. At \$20 the word was given, d a one hours struggle commenced Bibby out, at the same time keeping bimself in good form. After a rest of ten minutes the contest was renewed, and Counces gained a full in 87 minutes. Bibby's left sem was disjocated by the full, and he accepted \$100 nd withdrew, giving Connors the staires About \$5,000 changed hands on the

Beach of an Emineut Catholic Prelate. NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The Catholia Review will announce the death, in Rome on Friday, Feb. 1, of Right Rev. Lewis E. Hostlot, rector of the American college. The deceased pre-late was a sative of Brooklyn, and after a brilliant course in 8t. Francis Navier's college, New York, he went to Rome, where subsequently he succeeded Rishop Chathard, of Indianapolis, as rector of the American col-lege. Recently he was named domestic pro-late by Pope Lee XIII, and a brilliant and useful career was before him.

Mr. Caville Must Walt Until Monday. FRANKPORT, KY., Feb. 1 .- It was expoeted that the caucus would nominate a senator to-night. Mr. Sweeney withdrew from the race early in the day, and rumors of a probable nonlinee were many. It looked as if Mr. Carlisie would be nominated. For some reason, however, when the caucus met it was agreed, on motion of Mr. Hallam, to adjourn until Monday next, when a nomi-mation will surely be made.

The Arresitt Deserters.

OTTAWA, Feb. 1 .- In the house of commons to-day Mr. Guillet moved for the correspondence in relation to the arrest in Canadian ence in relation to the art United States territory, by a detachment of United States soldiers, of Henry Watson, said to be formerly soldiers, of Henry Watson, and others. Sign a resident of Nova Scotia, and others. Sir John MacDonald said it was true that per-sons named Watson and Switzer, eltizens of Canada, had been arrested in the manner de-

scribed. Representations were made to the British minister at Washington, who laid the matter before the United States foreign minister, and the parties named were immediately set at liberty.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST.

Tracing the Responsibility for the Frightful Rattroad Accident in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Feb. 1.-The corone this afternoon began an inquest on the bodies recovered from the wreck yesterday on the Air line railroad at Broad Ripple. witnesses were examined. The testimony shows that the bridge was built of good ma te-rial and properly constructed. Workmen were repairing the bridge and had removed the permanent supporting rods, supplying were repairing the bridge and had removed the permanent supporting rods, supplying their places with temporary rods, which were claimed to be strong enough to hold the structure. It is generally believed that the accident was caused by the weakening of the bridge, the result of the removal of the permanent rods. The railway company has two attorneys to represent it at the inquest.

The bodies recovered were taken to their late residences to-day for burial. The body of the bridge foreman, Parr, has not yet been recovered. Semans and Clarke, the men seriously injured, are still alive, but the latter's chance for recovery is very slender.

A GASOLINE EXPLOSION.

Four Persons Known to Have Been

Killed-Others Unaccounted For. ALLIANCE, OHIO, Feb. 1.-A terrible gaso line explosion occurred in F. M. Orr's stove and tinware store to-day, demolishing the building and burying an unknown number of persons in the ruins. Four persons have been extricated and four more are known to have been in the building when the explohave been in the building was in a new large sion occurred. Orr's store was in a new large sion occurred. Orr's store was in a new large brick block in the middle of the town. It is rumored that a child turned the spigot of the gasoline tank, and the escaping gas was ignited by the fire in the stove. Several per-sous were in the store, and two families lived on the second and third floors. Besides those buried in the debris, many other per-sons were more or less injured. The force of sons were more or less injured. The force of the explosion broke the windows in the other buildings on the square. The damage to the buildings is estimated at \$75,000.

FIRST FRUITS.

The Sheriff's Clerks Charged With Obtaining Money Fraudulently.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- From the evidence adduced before the assembly committee today relative to the amounts charged by the sheriff's clerks for the transfer of prisoners from the Tombs to the court of general sessions warrants were issued by Justice Duffy on the affidavit of Charles P. Miller, the counsel of the committee, for the arrest of Charging Clerks Jacobs A. Wertheimer and Wm. Costello. They are charged with hav-ing fraudulently obtained sums of money aggregating during the past year alone several thousand dollars from the comptroller on false vouchers for the transfer of prisoners. Wertheimer was arrested and taken before Justice Duffy, who held him in default of \$10,000 bail for trial. Costello was not arrested, as the evidence against him was not sufficient.

The State of Louisiana Defaults. NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 1 .- The state to-day defaulted in the payment of interest due on defaulted in the payment of interest due on the 5 per cent, bonds known as the "baby" bonds. It would require about \$15,000 to may the coupons due to day on the bonds, most of which are held here. The fiscal agent explains that, owing to the late decision of the supreme court, making the bonds not only receivable for property sold for back taxes, but also for costs and penalties and interest, little cash is being received to the credit of this fund. While the settlements of the tax collectors with the auditor and treasurer during the present week have amounted to over \$50,000, only \$72 were received for inover \$10,000, only \$72 were received for in-terest on the "baby" bonds. Therefore, the state national bank, the fiscal agency, now having over \$40,000 in unredeemed coupons of the "baby" bonds, did not feel justified in cashing any more coupons of these bonds.

Held Without Bail. DANVILLE, VA., Feb. 1 .- W. S. and W. D. Palmer, from Reidsville, N. C., were to-day held for indictment by the mayor's court of North Danville for the murder of a negro, Martin Yancy, Jan. 30, near that town, W. S. Palmer's statement is that while trying to repair a wagon, W. D. Palmer being with

him, Yaney came upon him, seized him, and demanded his money; that he then killed Yaney with his pistol, and that there was another negro with Yancy, who ran away, men were arrested here about midnight of that night, being found asleep in a ware-house. Other testimony was taken, and the judge decided to hold them and refused bail.

Bang Him at Once.

COLUMBUS, GA., Feb. 1 .- Information has just reached here from Chambers county, Ala., of a brutal outrage committed upon the person of Mrs. Henry Striblin, a young mar-ried lady about 19 years of age, by a negro named Jeff Rogers, who also stabbed her in the back and neck. Rogers was arrested and lodged in the Chambers county jail.

Increase of Imports.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- The imports of dry goods at the port of New York for the week ended to-day were \$3,534,602, and the amount marketed \$3,395,860. The total imports of dry goods since Jan. 1 were \$13,734,632, against \$13,345,312 for the same period last year, and the amount marketed \$13,552,946, against \$13,127,948 last year.

Damages Against a Railroad.

BOSTON, MASS., Feb. 1.-In the superior civil court this morning the jury returned a verdict of \$28,927 against the Boston and Al-bany Railroad company in favor of James B David, of this city, as damages for personal injuries sustained at Springfield Dec. 7, 1832, owing to the neglect of train men.

The Reely Motor Exhibition Again Posts

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1.—At a meeting of the Keely Motor company held here to-day another postponement of the promised public exhibition was announced at the request of

The Libel Suit Against "Gath."

NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- The evidence in the libel suit of Josh Hart against George Alfred Townsend was taken to-day and both aides rested. The connsel will sum up Monday when the case will be given to the jury.

Wendelf Phillips III. Boston, Feb. 1 .- Wendell Phillips is dangerously ill with heart disease at his residence on Common street. He appears a triffe more comfortable to-night, but is very weak.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

-Patrick O'Hara, convicted at Paterson, N. J. f shooting Ellen Fullatove, has been sentence to five years in state prison

-Vice President Charles Hartshorne will serve as president of the Longh Valley raifroad until a successor to the late Harry E. Packer shall be -The man who committed suicide at the

— The main was committed anicide at the Cos-mop dian botel. New York, Tharsday, and whi registered as "W. H. Harley, Pa.," proves to be Leon linas, secretary of the Ordical company, of that city, who had been missing. He has rela-tives in New Orleans and Galveston. ... The business fullures of the last seven days —The business fullures of the last seven days, as reported to the mercantile agency of R. G. Dun & Co., number, for the United States, 32% and for Canada, 44; a total of 37d, as compared with 317 last week, an increase of 66. More influres are reported in the middle and New Ragland states that usual, while the increase on the Pacific coast is quite marked. Fallures are also more numerous in Canada and the provinces, AIDING EACH OTHER.

Work of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Employes' Relief Association.

Interesting Statistics Showing the Operations of Last Year.

Special Dispatch. BALTIMORE, Feb. 1 .- At the quarterly meeting of the committee of the management of Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Employes' Relief association held at their central building, in this city, Jan. 25, the annual report of the secretary of the association, Dr. W. D. Barnand, was read. It shows that the receipts during the past fiscal year have been as

From premiums relief features of members.

Interest from Baltimore and Ohio company's donation of \$100,000, and from temporary investment of funds.

Balance on hand at the close of the last fiscal year.

92.010 73 Total receipts...... 308,779 91 Total receipts.

Disbursed to members in payments of accidental benefit and death losses during the year.

To physicians and hospitals, and for medicines distributed among members to prevent and check diseases... Aggregate disbursements.

From the balance.

There is due for oussianding limilifies to members, physicians, hospitals, and for insurance reserve and annuities.

The net balance.

It was, by order of the committee

per claim.

During the past year, as heretofore, the During the past year, as heretofore, the drainage of the company's right of way, the safety and ventilation of its shops, the condition of the water closets, the character of the water used for drinking purposes, and many minor matters affecting the health and comfort of the employes and patrons of the company had therough attention, and the effects of the relief association to improve the sanitary condition of the road were ably seconded by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company. Earnest efforts were made to prevent the active development, or to suppress, as far as possible, the effects of diseases, and generally with notable success; to this end 5.405 bottles of medicine were distributed. The report comments favorably on the hospital facilities offered by the association, and predicts a greater use of these facilities. It includes the report of the actuary of the insurance department of Maryland on the condition of the association, which, confirming the secretary's report, also heartily congravaluates the management of ryland on the condition of the association, which, confirming the secretary's report, also heartify congratulates the management of the association on its prosperity, saving fund, and building features. The practical operation of these features commenced Aug. 1, 1882. During the year ending Sept. 30, 1883, the total receipts of the savings fund were, from deposits, \$82,553.35, and from all other sources, \$26,930.78; total, \$109,486.14. During the same period the withdrawal of deposits amounted to \$7.772.16, while disbussments on account of loans and investments were \$73,493.60.

During the year the association built for During the year the association built for members a number of houses, advancing money for this purpose at 6 per cent. It also loaned funds for the improvement or purchase of houses aiready constructed. The report winds up with very interesting statistical data explanatory of the aforgoing and of the medical details of the association. Mr. Robert Garrett, president pro tem: of the Baltimore and Chio company and ex-officio members of the computitor of members. member of the committee of manage-ment, participated in the debate on this re-port, and said that the management of the association had succeeded in building up the greatest benevolent railway institution that exists in this or perhaps any country. He believed the company had profited by an increased efficiency of its old employes, who were anxious to enjoy the benefits—its comforts-and also through the better physical and mental condition of those newly entering the service under the careful medical examination inaugurated by the association. He believed that it certain additional features, such as superannuation, free library, in-creased hospital facilities, and a sanitarium, which were contemplated, can be added, the usefulness of this association would be greatly enhanced. In any programme for new features, increased educational facilities should receive encouragement.

The Baltimore and Ohio, which built the first railroad in the United States, over whose lines the telegraph was first practically operated, and which has been foremost in a great many matters of importance to the country, has been foremost in the establish-ing of a society which, if carried out to its legitimate end, will do more to bring about proper relations between capital or than all the bills which can be re mended by your governors or passed by your legislatures.

He felt sure that those prominent in the management of the company are very carnest to promote the interests of the men in every practical way, and he hoped to see the da when every man in the service would have a roof of his own over his head, when they will have pecuniary interests in the vast property of the company, and when the men who run and operate the machinery and all others having steady employment will be identified with and be part owners of the Baltimore and Ohio company.

Poisoned by Reef Soup, NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-Mrs. Thomas Collyer died at Laurel Hill, Long Island, yesterday from alleged poisoned beef soup. An autopsy disclosed arsenic. Mr. Collyer was saved, Her father died with similar symptoms last week, the coroner then rendering a verdict of death from apoplexy. His remains will be exhumed and examined. The butcher of or death from apoptoxy. His remains will be exhauned and examined. The butcher of whom the beef was purchased alleges there was no poison in the meat as several pounds of the same piece were sold to other neighbors without any resultant siegness. The affair has caused considerable excitement.

She Goes Back on Her Skeleton. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1.- In answer to the writ of habeas corpus, Uriah Clear produced his daughter Bertha in court this morning, Her husband, the so-called "living skeleton, was also present. In open court the girl de-clared that she was not restrained of her lib-The case was then dismissed. There was a great crowd in and about the court house. The skeleton in and about the court house. The skeleton has already said that if his wife denied him in open court he would not further ask her to return to him.

On the Lookout for Foreign Thieves. NEW YORK, Feb. 1 .- Inspector Byrnes received a circular to-day from the chief of police at Budapesth, Hungary, giving details of a bold robbery in that city on Jan. 5. A musa bold robbery in that city of san. 5. A massive iron chest, containing 240,000 florins or about \$120,000 Austrian bank notes, was stolen from the platform in front of the main postoffice while in transit. It is surmised that the thieves may have fied to this country. A reward of \$2,000 is offered for their the robber of the notes. try. A reward of \$2,000 is offered arrest or the recovery of the notes.

The Sarrows Murder Trial. Saco, Mr., Feb. 1.-In the trial of Mrs. Barrows to-day the government rested its case. The defense will take the ground that

Mrs. Barrows's husband committed suicide, basing their case on the first story told by Mrs. Barrows as to the finding of the body. They have introduced a large amount of testimony against Barrows's character, and as to threats made by him against Blaney and his own wife.

RUGG'S CRIMES.

Several Burglaries Committed by Him, as Well as the Maybee Murders and Assaults Upon Mr. and Mrs. Townsend and Mr. Sprague.

HUNTER'S POINT. L. I., Feb. 1 .- It is now very generally believed that Charles H. Rugg is the author of the frightful crimesthe murder of the Maybee women, the almost fatal assaults upon James E. Townsend and wife, and upon Selah Sprague. Rugg was known to have committed several small burglaries previous to the Maybee murder, but he was never prosecuted. During the late investigations the detectives obtained traces of property stolen from the houses of Mrs. Moses Austice, where two gold watches were taken; of Mr. G. Gitto, robbed of a suit of clothing, and of Revenue Collector Charles Hoyle, who lost some small articles, all on the night of May 12, 1883. Rugg was at that time suspected, but no conclusive ovidence, was obtained.

Rugg will not be taken to Hicksville today. District Attorney Flemming having the murder of the Maybee women, the almost

at that time suspected, but no conclusive ovidence, was obtained.

Rugg will not be taken to Hicksville today. District Attorney Flemming having pacified Justice Collyer, who will take no further action. It is probable that Edmund and John Tappan will both be released in a few days, though a medical examination of Edmund is contemplated. Several residents of Brookville stated yesterday that Edmund Tappan had long been considered weak minded. Rugg's statement as to how he came into possession of the watches, and as to his whereabouts on the days that the crimes were perpetrated, have been proven false.

It would seem that Rugg almost commenced his career by choking women, for about ten years ago in the village of Bridgehampton, Suffolk county, where he then lived with his father, minister of the A. M. E. church, he entered the home of Miss Haisey, a wealthy maiden lady, whom he almost choked to death, after which he robbed the house of money and valuables. He was also caught stealing a watch from a jewelry store in Sag Harbor a short time before his assault on Miss Halsey. These escapades caused him to leave that part of Long Island very suddenly. He was next heard of as cook on a Mediterranean steamer, and has at different times been employed on the City of Hartford, Massachusetts, and other Sound steamers. Rugg was arrested in Westbury on a charge of having assaulted Sciah Sprague at East Meadow last Friday. He gave his name as Charles H. Smith, This is the same name he gave when he pawned the Townsend house after the outrage of Jan. 7, and claimed by John Tappan, if Rugg was the perpetrator of that crime. To-day they discovered evidence leading to the conclusion that they were stolen from the Tappan barn by a certain negro living near the Townsends, and with whom Rugg associated. This man has kept out of the village for some days past, while the detectives have been around, but turned up there again to-day shortly after they had left.

Mrs. Edmund Tappan asserts that after her husband had made his confession

her and said he would give her \$20 s 'co nies having made any such offer.

Raid on a Cocking Main.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Feb. I.-A cocking main in the hotel of the New Hunting park, in the nertheastern part of city, was treated to a midnight surprise last night by a force of sixty picked policemen. The late hour chosen for the lighting was supposed to guarantee the sporting men against interference and the smart surprise caused a scene of wild confusion. As most of the policemen seized two men s piece they succeeded in around the pit, the prisoners being men of all grades in life. A search through the yard all grades in life. A search torough the yard resulted in the capture of twenty leans, some of them being well appointed drags. The police also gathered up seventy-two live chickens of all sizes and breeds, and any number of gaffs, scales, and other paraphernalia used upon such occasions. The prisoners were quickly taken before a magistrate and fined \$11.50 each. Seventy-two of them paid the fine promptly and the remaining twenty-three were committed.

A Fatal Quarrel.

WILMINGTON, DEL., Feb. 1.—At Cambridge, Md., yesterday afternoon John Murray shot John H. Steele twice with a pistol during a quarrel in the store of L. H. From particulars received here this after noon, it is shown that yesterday morning Murray had been teasing Steele's little son, which provoked a quarrel between the two men, but no blows were struck. In the after-noon the fight was resumed, during which Steele struck Murray on the head with a poker, making a deep gash. Murray then drew a pistol and shot Steele twice in the ody, one bullet entering just above the were no witnesses to the affray, and each claimed that the other was the aggressor. Murray is doing well.

Arrested Under the Blue Layes of 1704. READING, PA., Feb. 1 .- Surprise was caused here to-day by the arrest of eight well-known citizens on the charge of horse racing with sleighs on the public road. They were held for court. The charges are brought under the blue laws of 1794, which prohibits racing and provides that upon conviction of the ac-cused the horses be sold and the proceeds placed in the county treasury.

Killed by a Boiler Explosion. DETROIT, MICH., Feb. 1.-The boiler in Twichell's shingle mill, near Blanchard, ex-

ploded this morning, killing Honry Roop and John Finlayson, fatally injuring a man named Gorrod, and wounding several others in a loss Disfranchised for Hilegal Voting. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1.—Frank Harrison pleaded guilty to-day to voting illegally at the last election. He was fined \$100, sen-

tenced to three months' imprisonment, at franchised for the period of four years. Sykes Not Guilty. NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 1.—The jury in the case of Troisville Sykes for the murder of Kate Townsend have returned asverdict of

not guilty. Miss Rausom's Reception. Miss Ransom's beautiful studio was filled with nests last night at her Friday reception. By inguests not night at her Friday reception. By invitation the Huichinson family, John, Asa, and Abda, soing "Anid Lang Syne," all presons joining fit. This amily originally numbered sixteen, and the three named are all that are left.

Amang those present were Judge Lawrence, Dr. and Mr. Gregory, Dr. and Mrs. Blust, Dr. Wavren, of Wilchneller, Second Comptroller Upton and Mrs. Upton, Rev. Dr. Patton, of Howard university, and Mrs. Patton, Mr. Holbrock, Mr. Charles Lavies of Imblin, who heard the Hutchinsons sing on title creasion for the first time in thirty years they, and Mrs. Hewine, and a large number of members of the classical society.

Confirmation at St. John's Chapel. Last night St. John's chapel, corner Twenty-second street and Virginia avenue, was well filled to witness the rite of confirmation administered to witness the rite of confirmation administered to a number of ladies and gentlemen. The cere-monies were impressive. The sermon was delivered by lib-hop Lyman, of North Carolina, who spoke of the Christian life sent the messallies of striving to gain hope for the famre by fiving with Christ while on with Quits a large class was presented and confirmed by the hishop. The music for the occasion was well rendered. THE CIVIL SERVICE.

A New and Difficult Question Raised for Consideration.

A few days ago Secretary Chandler made a requisition upon the civil service com-mission for nominations for vacancy in the clorical force of his department, and in response to his application the commission certilied to him the names of four persons from which to make his selection. This aftermoon Mr. Chandler returned to the commissioners the nominations cant him, accompanied by a note, in which he stated that, having carefully inspected the examination papers of the four persons whose names had been certified to him, he had reached the conclusion that none of the candidates had, upon examination, shown sufficient intelligence to give promise of filling the vacancy in his department acceptably.

This action of the secretary raises an interesting question. It has not very been considered. note, in which he stated that, having car-

This action of the secretary raises an inter-cetting question. It has not yet been consid-ered by the commissioners, as they received the secretary's communication yesterday too late for action. Commissioner Thoman said last night that the persons whose names were certified to the secretary of the navy had passed a fair examination before the commis-sion and that he certifying them all the new passed a fair examination before the commission and that in certifying them all the provisions of the law and the civil service rules had been fully compiled with. He said: "I do not feel authorized to speak for the commission, but my judgment is that no other certification of names will be made to the secretary of the navy under this requisition, the persons certified having reached the grade required by the seventh rule near the athlests on which

the seventh rule upon the subjects on which they were examined." The rule to which he referred provides The rule to which he referred provides that 65 per centum of complete proficiency in the subjects covered by the examination shall be deemed adequate, and the persons nominated to Secretary Chandler, Mr. Thoman said, had reached a higher general average than 65 per cent. in their examinations.

He pointed out that the second section of the civil service act provides for the apportionment of the appointments among the states, territories, and the District of Columbia and quested the size of the control of the service act provides for the appointment of the states, territories, and the District of Columbia and quested the size of the service of

states, territories, and the District of Columbia, and quoted the sixteenth rule of the civil service rules, which is based upon the second section of the act and which provides for the certification to the appointing officer of four names, to be taken from those graded highest on the register of eligibles, regard being had to the apportionment of appointments to states and territories and the states.

being had to the apportionment of appointments to states and territories, and which further provides that, "from the said four, a selection shall be made for the vacancy."

This last clause of the rules determines the settlement of this new question, in Mr. Thoman's opinion, and he thinks the force of the secretary's objection to the appoinment of any one of the persons named is taken away when rule 17 of the civil service rules is considered. This rule provides that is considered. This rule provides that original appointments shall be probationary, and thus leaves the secretary authority to is considered. original appointments shall be part authority to and thus leaves the secretary authority to dismiss for incompetency, at any time within six months, any person selected by him and afterward found to be incompetent.

GENEROUS CHARITY.

Correspondence Between the Government Printing Office and Treasurer Whitney. The following correspondence between the government printing office and the treasurer of the relief fund speaks loudly in praise of the generous character of the gentlemen and ladies of the government printing office:

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Office of the Pealle Paistran, Washington, D. C., Jan. 31, 1831.—Mr. Leorann Whilefolf om Mr. Uring and M. Leorann Whilefolf om Mr. Uring and C.—Standahl of the children fellow of the company fellow of the company fellow of the pear of this city, and that the chief of the pear of this city, and that the chief derk of the pear of this city, and that the chief derk of this office consent to act as agent for that purpose. There is scarce y a week passes by without a large portion of the twenty-two hundred employes of this office being called upon to committude to some chartastic purpose. They are all bard workers, being caployed elizat hours per day, and in most cases the amount correct depends on the work done. Time I st on account of sideness or for other reasons is deducted from their pay. With all these facts in view I hesitated to make the appeal, however, knowing that it necessary these who "carn their bread by the sweat of their brow," would divide their last crust to alleving the superal. However, knowing that it necessary these who "carn their bread by the sweat of their brow," would divide their last crust to alleving the appeal, however, knowing that it necessary these who "carn their bread by the sweat of their brow," would divide their last crust to alleving the superal of the government printing offices as weathering of the government printing offices she taked by the heart and mand of caca comploye, whether it be much or little.

I beg to inform you that something over \$10 has been subscribed, which will be collected an handed to you after the next poy day, which cocurs on the thirteenth working day of the month. Trusting that your committee will red that the employee of the government printing office are reminembered the suffering poor, i remain, your, very respectfully,

Caber Taylor.

Chief clerk.

Mr. Whitney forwarded the following re-

ply: Washisorov, Feb. 1, 1884.—Mr. Caper Taylor Washington, Feb. 1, 1884.—Mr. Carret Taylor, Chief Clerk—Berr Sir: 1 am in receipt of your favor of yes-ording advising me of the very generical advision in our flow of the employes of the government printing office. You may be sure the committee will appreciate this liberality on the part of these who are dependent on their own daily bread. You were entirely correct in stating the case to the employes of the office. The committee did not intend to urge any one in the departments to contribute, but only to afford the opportunity to those who desired to give believing that many would be glad to contribute in small amounts collectively who would hesitate to do so individually. Very respectfully, yours,

Hop at Willard's.

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Hop at Willard's last night was well attended. The guests were received by Mrs. O. furnor, of Kentucky; Mrs. Clardy, of Missourl; Mrs. Callom, of Hilmole, Mrs. Dancan, of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Aczerman, and Mrs. Bruce. There were present hon. J. N. Evans, wi. e and dangater, Miss Hackley, Frof. Snodgrass, Mes A. E. Ellis, Hon. George Evans, Mr. Small, Mr. L. A. Cartis, Senator and Mrs. Frommer, of Maryland; Hon. W. R. Morrison and may, W. N. Buncan and lady, Hon. O. Turner and lady, and Mes Turner, Senator Cultion and lady, and Mes Lamson, Miss Hayden, Miss Hore, Miss Sharr, Miss Lamson, Miss Hayden, Miss Hore, Miss Sharr, Miss Lamson, Miss Jenne Diline, Miss Neille Nichols, Miss Tausy, of St. Louis: Mrs. Stape, Miss Ellis, Hon. T. M. Boyne and lady, Front, Shodgrass, George W. Evans, et Misser, Miss Ellis, Hon. T. M. Boyne and lady, Front, Shodgrass, George W. Evans, et Misser, John McCartis, and ladies, Hon. Brach, of New York, and ladies, Hon. Sockslaper, Hon. Desender, and ladies, Hon. Mescal, Coley and Lady, Hoy, W. McAdeo, of New York, Hon. M. Post and ladies, Hon. Merch and ladies, Mr. Russell and ladies, W. H. Rapiev and ladies, Harry Reapley, Hon. W. D. Hill and Miss Hill, Charles E. Shober, Hon. J. C. G. Kronedy, Mrs. A. Frost, Mrs. Bacher, Mr. William Löwry and lady, Col. L. L. Washington, and Hon. J. D. Thoman.

Social Notes.

endance of the foreign legations. Many prom-nent officials were present, as also distinguished members of society.
Congressman Histock gave a dinner last night of ten of his friends at the Arrington.
Mrs. R. W. Fleming gave a dancing party last night at hier residence, 1720 l street.

The reception at the Russian minister's last night was well attended. There was a full at-

Israel C. M. E. Church. The Missionary society of this church gave an intertainment last evening for the benefit of the oor. Mr. R. Mass, the president, delivered an

poor. Mr. R. Mass, the president, deriverse an address exitable to the occasion. Mass Annie Coath read an essay on "Missionaries and Charl-ites," Miss Anna L. Hamer sang a silo, and the choir of the church readored some choles selec-tions. The amount realized was \$15. A Theater Party.

Miss Annie B. Hail gave a theatrical party to a number of her friends last night at the National theater. After the performance the party sat down to an elegant supper at the Arlington.

The Weather,

Generally fair weather, except in the extreme north-ers portion, local mones, would generally existing to southerly, falling barometer, stationary, followed by

32.5°; 3 p. m., 34.3°; 7 p. m., 28.8°; 11 p. m., 27.5°; maximum, 15.5°; minimum, 27.1°,

## A HOUSE-WARMING

The New Homeopathic Hospital Openel Last Night with a Brilliant Entertainment.

A Picturesque Scene in the New ar Commodious Building.

Who Were Present and How They Enjoyed Them-

The Ladies Connected with the Enterprise to Give a Lunch To-day.

The new homeopathic hospital on F street, near Eleventh, was inaugurated last night in a brilliant manner. The occasion was colobrated by a house-warming party, and the entire building was given up to varied enjoyments. The main front room was beautifully and tastefully decorated with fia bunting, and potted plants. It was throng during the entire evening with fair ladi during the entire evening with fair ladi
in bright evening dresses, who participated
in the figures of the dance to inspiring
strains of music. The rear apartments were
occupied as dining rooms, and steaming
dinners of choice viands were served by the
committee of ladies. The capacious uppor
rooms were used for bazaar purposes. They
were also beautifully decorated, and contained booths, donation stands, and a Rebeca's well. The party was one of the most
brilliant ever held in this city, and was
highly successful.

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Wilcox.

The ice cream and confectionery booths were in charge of Mrs. A. U. Wyman, Mrs. Dr. Wadsworth, Mrs. Scharf, Miss Boynton, Mrs. Rutherford, and Mrs. Dr. Janney.

Confestionery booth No. 2 was in charge of a bevy of pretty young ladies from Mrs. Somera's seminary.

Somers's seminary.
The fancy booth was presided over by Mrs.
William Birney, assisted by Miss Jennie
Tanner, of Baltimore, and Miss Evelyn

Sweet.

Rebecca's well, a pretty effect, was in charge of Mrs. M. W. Nash, a sisted by Misses Dora Sterns, Emma Maxwell, Kittie Martin, May Bolway, Eva Houston, Lena Sterns, and Lila Taylor. Rebecca was impersonated by Mrs. J. F. Dufour.

As the guests arrived they were received and made to feel perfectly at home by the following reception committee: Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Lewis Clephane, Mrs. Charles Nordhoff, Miss Waite, Mrs. Dr. Pope, Mrs. A. U.Wynan, Mrs. A. L. Barber, Mrs. Wilcox, Mrs. A. Stratt, and Dr. Caroline Winsiow.

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The donation table was heaped with useful articles for hospital use presented by friends. Many contributions of cash were also handed in.

The board of directors were present during

The board of directors were present during the entire evening, assisting the ladies in their praiseworthy efforts.

The decorations in the dancing hall were particularly impressive. The walls were hidden beneath masses of colored drapery, shields, banners, and greens, interwoven in blanding contrast.

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Mrs. Henry D. Cooke, Mrs. Lighter, Mrs.
Dr. Pope, and Mrs. Bartlett, have each agreed
to furnish a room at their individual ex-

The several committees of ladies have decided to serve dinner to-day from 12 o'clock m. to 5 o'clock p. m. in aid of the hospital

It was stated last night that the receipts of the "house warming" party will go far to-ward fitting out the premises with the arti-cles necessary is a modern hospital. Over a thousand persons visited the hosital yesterday.

The lady managers of the Homeopathic ospital will give a lunch to-day from 12 to o'clock at the building, 1106 F street, at a charge of 25 cents.

THE RIVER.

The Temperature Rising and the Danger of a Freshet Still Imminent.

"The waters are rapidly rising west of the nountains," said Lieut. Powell to THE REPUBLICAN i midnight. "At Pitisburg the river is above the anger line and still rising. We do not apprehours, however, and will give at least two days' notice of the approach of the freshet. The tem-perature will rise, which is not a good indication

The commissioners yesterday notified the Balti-nore and Potomae Railroid company that they could be held responsible for any damages result-ing from a gorge. This action is due to the fact hat the pites driven alongside of the Long bridge of the company will probably prevent the free gress of the ice in case of a treshet.

Many incremants continued to remove goods complied to the local results.

river front are still theasy.

The Alexandra hery boats were running yesterday, but experienced considerable trouble in navigating. The tag boats E. D. Hartley, Mary Lowis, and W. E. Bell were busy breaking the lee under the direction of the harbormaster. At Georgetown no fears of a freshet were entertained, and the ice flowed easily out of the channel.

The President's Guards.

The grand concert and ball of the President's Guards at the National Rifles' armory last night was largely attended. The entertainment was for the benefit of Charles C. Herbert, a member of the guards, who was recently wounded by a premature discharge of a gun. The hall was testefully decorated with flags and bueting. The concert, which meet with flags and buoting. The concert, which began at 8 o'clock, was a brilliant feature. Miss 15 to Mills and Mass Berte Crawford were among the participants, and all the scientians were inkely tendered. Each number was apparated and many encors were demanded. At the conclusion of the concert the floor was cleared and dancing began. Twenty select dances were on the eart and excellent music was furnished by the Second Artillery orchestra. Many prominent people were present and the heur was steen when the least dance was fuished. The guards presented a fine appearance in their attractive uniforms and exerted themselves in behalf of their friends. The reception committee was solitows Gen. E. F. Bealt, Hon. Jas. B. Beiford, Gen. H. W. Shoum, Hon. H. Petthone, Hon. A. Harmer, Hon. John A. Legan, Hon. A. A. Haney, Commodore T. D. Wilson, U. S. N.; Hon. Jas. Laird, Gen. E.W. Whitaker, and Gen. Stewart Van Vliet, U. S. A.

The Bischoff Concert.

The concert at the Congregational church last night was fully up to the standard so long maintained by the performers. Missos Alice Johnson, Katle Wilson, Ella Hausmann, Jossie Harvey, Missies Maddox and Madden, Mr. Warren Nisses Maddox and Madden, Mr. Warrel 5. Young, the St. Cecilia quartette, and this choir of the church took parts. Nearly slit the performers were encored. Miss Maddon's "No is Donna" was beautinally rentared, soil Miss Hausmann's "The heter Lami" was equally acceptable. Miss Minute Ewants "the Gigs" was an exquait vocalization enthusiantically encost. She rendered its most difficult passages with a silvery clearness and processor than extra silvers. shore clearness and precision that we're adistre-ble. At her recall she sang the fasorite sales, "Robin Adair," with exquisite taste and Leevity. The St. Cecilia quariette removal McEstrew's luisby with their issual power and skill.

The Sacugerbund. The regular meeting of the Washington Facugerburnt was held at Cosmopolitan half last night, and was largely attended. Several important matters were transacted, and the society rehearsed several new selections.